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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

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Examiner: R. Zeman

For: IMPROVED VACCINES FOR PROLIFERATIVE ILEITIS AND METHODS OF MAKING AND USING THE SAME

Amendment

Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

October 30, 2003

Dear Sir,

In reply to the Office Action of May 30, 2003, please enter the amendments that follow.

Submitted herewith is a petition and fee to extend the date for responding by two months to October 30, 2003.

In the Specification

Please amend the first paragraph on page 10 as follows:

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mineral oils such as Drakeol and Montanides; vegetable oil such as peanut oil; block co-polymers; aluminum salts such as aluminum hydroxide and aluminum phosphate; poxvirus proteins such as Baypamun; Avridine; Lipid A; triterpenoid glycosides such as saponin, Quil A, and QS21; detergents such as Tween-80, Span 20 and Pluronics; interleukins such as monokines and interferons; liposomes ISCOMS; synthetic glycopeptides such as muramyl dipeptides and derivatives of cholera toxin, or combinations of the above. Preferred adjuvants for use with fragile organisms such as L. intracellularis include but are not limited to POLYCEN™, ethylene maleic anhydride type adjuvants, ethylene maleic acid polymers, CARBIGEN® (a high molecular weight copolymer), HAVLOGEN® (a cross linked_acrylic_acid polymer), EMULSIGEN® (an oil-in-water emulsion), POLYGEN™ (a low molecular weight copolymer), synthetic glycopeptides such as BAY R1005, certain aluminum salts, immunomodulators, toxins and combinations thereof. preferred adjuvants are selected on the basis of their lack of toxicity and lack of presence of detergents, which tend to disrupt fragile organisms and immunogens.